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PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU ANNOUNCES
REGION 54 (SOUTHERN LAKE MICHIGAN) PUBLIC SAFETY REGIONAL PLANNING
COMMITTEES TO HOLD 700 MHZ REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY PLANNING AND
800 MHZ NPSPAC REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY PLANNING MEETINGS

General Docket No. 89-363

The Region 54 (Southern Lake Michigan)¹ Public Safety Regional Planning Committees will hold two consecutive planning meetings on Wednesday, November 5, 2008. Beginning at 1:00 p.m., the 800 MHz NPSPAC Public Safety Regional Planning Committee will convene at the Grundy County Office of Emergency Management, 1320 Union Street, Morris, Illinois.

The agenda for the 800 MHz meeting includes:

- Discuss applications from County of Dekalb, and City of Rockford, Illinois
- Old business
- New business

Immediately following the 800 MHz Public Safety Regional Planning Committee meeting, the 700 MHz Public Safety Regional Planning Committee will convene at the same location.

The agenda for the 700 MHz meeting includes:

- Discuss the updates to the Region 54 plan, pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) Second Report and Order² decisions affecting the upper and lower 700 MHz bands.
- Report status of the adjacent region review of the 700 MHz draft plan.

¹ Region 54 (Southern Lake Michigan) 700 MHz RPC encompasses counties in three states bordering Lake Michigan: Winnebago, McHenry, Cook, Kane, Kendall, Grundy, Boone, Lake, DuPage, DeKalb, Will, and Kankakee Counties, Illinois; Lake, LaPorte, Jasper, Starke, St. Joseph, Porter, Newton, Pulaski, Marshall, and Elkart Counties, Indiana; and Kenosha, Milwaukee, Washington, Dodge, Walworth, Jefferson, Racine, Rock, Walworth, Washington, and Waukesha Counties, Wisconsin. The Region 54 (Southern Lake Michigan) 800 MHz NPSPAC RPC includes all of the above counties, and the following Michigan counties: Kent, Van Buren, Kalamazoo, Barry, Muskegon, Allegan, Berrien, Cass, and St. Joseph.

² See Implementing a Nationwide, Broadband, Interoperable Public Safety Network in the 700 MHz Band; Development of Operational, Technical and Spectrum Requirements for Meeting Federal, State and Local Public Safety Communications Requirements Through the Year 2010, PS Docket No. 06-229, WT Docket No. 96-86, Second Report and Order, 22 FCC Rcd 15289 (2007) (Second Report and Order).

Both of the Region 54 Public Safety Regional Planning Committee meetings are open to the public. It is essential that public safety agencies in all areas of government, including state, municipality, county, and Native American Tribal, and non-governmental organizations eligible under Section 90.523 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 90.523, be represented in order to ensure that each agency's future spectrum needs are considered in the allocation process. Administrators who are not oriented in the communications field should delegate someone with this knowledge to attend, participate, and represent their agency's needs.

All interested parties wishing to participate in planning for the use of public safety spectrum in the 700 MHz and 800 MHz bands within Region 54 should plan to attend. For further information, please contact:

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